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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened by  
3 the death of Thomas W. McNamara of Oak Park, who passed away on  
4 June 15, 2014; and

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WHEREAS, Thomas McNamara was born on October 31, 1931; he  
6 attended Fenwick High School in Oak Park, the University of  
7 Notre Dame, and Northwestern University Law School; and

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WHEREAS, Thomas McNamara practiced law his entire career at  
9 the firm now known as Jenner & Block, specializing in real  
10 estate, zoning, and other business-related matters; he also  
11 handled many pro bono cases and argued before the United States  
12 Supreme Court in the case of "Organization for a Better Austin  
13 v. O'Keefe"; and

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WHEREAS, Thomas McNamara often referred to himself as an  
15 avid "indoorsman"; he enjoyed cards, casinos, and playing golf;  
16 he was a member for many years at the Oak Park Country Club and  
17 the Point O'Woods Country Club, where he served as president;  
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WHEREAS, Thomas McNamara was preceded in death by his wife  
20 of 50 years, Rita, and by his son, Thomas W. McNamara Jr.; and

1           WHEREAS, Thomas McNamara is survived by his children, Margo  
2           (Gerry) Chadwick, Maureen (Brent) Stratton, Kathleen (Kevin)  
3           Conroy, Robert (Suzanne) McNamara, Mary Rita (Steve) Skrine,  
4           and Michelle McNamara (Patton Oswalt); his grandchildren, Kate  
5           (Mike) Vriner, Maureen, Claire, Brian, Connor, Dylan, Brendan,  
6           Liam, Maggie, Elizabeth, Tommy, Colleen, Sean, Katherine,  
7           Steven, Patrick, and Alice; his great-grandchild, Rita Vriner;  
8           and his siblings, Jeanette (the late Jack) Dan, Marilyn (Tom)  
9           Schaub, Jerry (Sue) McNamara, and Eileen McNamara; therefore,  
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11           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL  
12          ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
13          Thomas W. McNamara, and extend our sincere condolences to his  
14          family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
15          further

16           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
17          presented to the family of Thomas McNamara as an expression of  
18          our deepest sympathy.